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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE CHAIR CONTINUES MILITARY LEAVE BENEFITS EXTENSION FOR COUNTY EMPLOYEES

SAN BERNARDINO – For the second time during her chairmanship, San Bernardino County Supervisor Josie Gonzales today brought forth an agenda item to extend supplemental military leave benefits for county employees called to duty.

The Board of Supervisors unanimously approved the extension.

"This is simply the right thing to do for the men and women employed by the county who are serving beyond 30 days," said Chair Gonzales.

The County implemented the Supplemental Military Leave/Pay Program in 2001 following the terrorist attacks on the United States and the subsequent activation of the country's military reservists. Going into the 2012-13 fiscal year the program will cost the County about \$298,000 and assist 10 employees currently on extended military leave.

Since its inception, the program has support approximately 235 county employees.

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